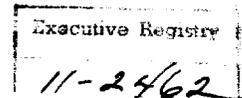


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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.



OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

MAR 20 1953

Honorable Allen W. Dulles
Director of Central Intelligence
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

Various agencies are assigned responsibility under National Security Council Document 163/1 for the security of strategically important operations in foreign countries. This work has been carried forward under the coordination of the Operations Coordinating Board by a working group under the Chairmanship of the Deputy Assistant Director for Production and Materials in the Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization. Your agency has been represented on the OCB Working Group since its establishment in June last year and is therefore familiar with its operations.

A plan has been approved by the OCB to carry out the provisions of the report to the National Security Council on the security of these foreign facilities. The program concerns the local security of operations and thus relates to protection against sabotage but not against overt attack by organized military forces. Reports and analyses are now being received under the program and will continue in increasing volume in the future.

Inasmuch as various Federal agencies, private businesses, and foreign Governments are involved and the operations center on information regarding the security of foreign facilities that are strategically important to the U.S., it seems advisable to establish a central repository for the information being assembled. I understand that the accumulation and maintenance of such records is a function of your agency and therefore seek your agreement to set up within CIA a central record for proceedings under the operations plan for NSC 163/1. Arrangements for providing the information can be made through the representation of your agency on the OCB Working Group.

I appreciate the assistance that your agency is providing in carrying out this security program and I believe that the suggested repository would be a valuable addition.

Sincerely,



Leo A. Joseph

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Dulles

A copy of the attached has been sent to CI
for preparation of a reply for your signature.

is our representative on the
OCB Working Group.

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